

# AGENDA



**Thursday, May 3, 2007**

**Purchasing Office**  
**RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**Item No. 27**

**Subject:** Authorize award and execution of a 12-month requirements supply contract with PARADIGM TRAFFIC SYSTEMS, INC, Fort Worth, TX, for traffic signal cabinets for the Public Works Department in an estimated amount not to exceed \$269,730, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$269,730 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$809,190.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$112,388 is available in the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Operating Budget of the Public Works Department. Funding for the remaining seven months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**For More Information:** R. C. Hernandez, Senior Buyer, 974-6434

**Purchasing Language:** Lowest bid of three bids received.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9D of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program.) No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract is for the purchase of Type 170, Model 332 traffic signal cabinets for the Public Works Department, Traffic Signal Division, to house City traffic signal components. The cabinets are used for new traffic signal installations and for older, non-functioning cabinet replacements. Traffic signal improvements contribute to the Traffic Signal Division's overall mission to provide the safest and most efficient transportation system possible.

MBE/WBE Sent: 1/2      MBE/WBE Bid: 0/0

**PRICE ANALYSIS**

- a. Adequate competition.
- b. Eighteen notices were sent, including one MBE and two WBEs. Three solicitations were issued. . Three bids were received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 12% increase to the last contract award in May 2005. The increase is due to a rise in cost for steel and transportation. U.S. Traffic Corporation, Santa Fe, CA.

**APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION**

- a. Lowest bid received.
- b. Purchasing concurs with Public Works' recommended award.
- c. Advertised in the Austin American Statesman and Internet.